

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) #3 for BAA 06-025
“Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) Base Protection
Laboratory (PBPL)”
27 July 2006

1. Can the resumes of key personnel be included in an appendix and not count towards the 50 page limit?

A: No. Resumes must be included in the Technical Proposal and remain within the 50 page limitation.

2. The BAA refers offeror's to ONR website <http://www.onr.navy.mil/02/baa> to retrieve information that would be available after the Industry Day on April 26, 2006. The site only has a copy of the BAA announcement with no additional documents. Can ONR please advise when the referenced materials will be available?

A: ONR's link <http://www.onr.navy.mil/02/baa>, provided in the BAA solicitation, is correct. Under the title for BAA 06-025, the bullet point entitled “Supporting Documents/Files” contains the data from Industry Day on April 26, 2006.

3. Section IV, Paragraph 2 C, entitled “Management” has four paragraphs titled Statement of Work, Project Schedule and Milestones, Assertion of Data Rights, and Deliverables; are these sections to be part of the management section and within the 50 page limitation? Can we provide this information in a separate appendix or attachment to the technical proposal?

A: The paragraphs entitled Statement of Work, Project Schedule and Milestones, Assertion of Data Rights, and Deliverables must be included in the “Management” section and remain within the 50 page limitation.

4. The last paragraph in Section IV, Paragraph 4, entitled “Submission of Late Proposals” refers to the preferred method of delivery for hard-copy materials and recommends that any hard-copy proposal be mailed several days before the deadline. Would it be permissible for the offeror to hand-deliver the proposal response on or before July 31, 2006 to ONR?

A: Yes. Hand-delivered proposals will be accepted.

5. Could the Government please confirm that State of Hawaii Gross Receipts Tax (which currently is approximately 4% on all burdened costs and fee) applies to all work performed in the State of Hawaii and that all offeror's should include it in their cost proposal to ensure consistency among bidders for cost estimating and evaluation purposes?

A: The Contractor should contact an individual/official in the state of Hawaii to determine if the Gross Receipts Tax applies to proposed costs. The following definition

explains the costs that are exempt from this tax: Tax Exemption for Scientific Contracts with the United States Government – “Scientific work is defined as work involving research and development, or the design, manufacture, instrumentation, installation, maintenance, or an operation of aerospace, agricultural, astronomical, biomedical, electronic, geophysical, oceanographic, test range, or other scientific facilities.”

6. Is consideration for this BAA only for Biological and Chemical Detection sensors, or for other sensors?

A: A fundamental premise of the project is to monitor and discriminate between normal and abnormal behavior as a precursor to incursion, subversion, and attack and to ultimately develop a predictive capability for base security to intercede when necessary. Biological and Chemical sensors are two of many sensors that could be used to characterize behavior and/or provide information to a base protection system. The utility of these sensors in the context above will be weighed against other proposed sensor concepts to make an ultimate selection of which sensors to include in the effort.

7. In accordance to the US only contractor clause, if the subsidiary is registered as a US company then the subsidiary submits the proposal. This was the ruling on the Phase I proposal. Will the same ruling apply for the Phase II?

A: Yes.

8. Page 14 of the ONR BAA 06-025 Solicitation indicates that the NAICS Code is 54710. Was this supposed to be 541710 – Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and Life Sciences?

A: Yes. The NAICS Code is 541710 – Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and Life Sciences.

9. The BAA for PMRF Force Protection Lab is due 31 July 2006. Is a due date extension possible?

A: No.

10. Is the Phase II, "Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) Base Protection Laboratory (BPL)," a new requirement? If it is not new, would it be possible to receive the incumbents name, contract number, date of award, period of performance and monetary value?

A: Yes, the Phase II “Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF) Base Protection Laboratory (BPL)”, is a new requirement. The PBPL project is an S&T effort to advance the state of the art of applying persistent surveillance methods to base protection/security issues. Establishing such a laboratory at PMRF will enable technologists to develop

sensors, behavioral algorithms, and system tools and techniques that improve security in an open access realistic environment.

11. Is it possible that attachments listing “Common Acronyms” and “Additional Technology Applications” be considered outside of the 50 page limitation for Volume 1, the Technical Proposal?

A: No, the attachments “Common Acronyms” and “Additional Technology Applications” must be within the 50 page limitation.

12. Is there an alternate individual, besides the listed Business Point of Contact (Tia Belton), to receive hand delivered proposals?

A: Yes, the alternate Point of Contact is Mr. Darrien Demps. He can be reached at (703) 696-2583.

13. According to the BAA (page 8), the prime is required to submit Volume 2 Cost Proposal as one (1) original hardcopy, four (4) additional hard copies, and four (4) electronic copies on CD-ROM. Does this same requirement apply for subcontractor sealed bid backup cost detail or does the government merely wish to have the cost detail in electronic format?

A: The sealed bid backup cost detail only needs to be submitted in hardcopy.

14. Should cost disclosure information (sealed bid) from subcontractors be sent to the Business Point of Contact’s attention directly? Is cost disclosure from subcontractors submitted after contract award determination?

A: In Section IV, “Application and Submission Information”, under Volume 2, Cost Proposal Part 1, it states that “A cost proposal as detailed as the Offeror’s cost proposal will be required to be submitted by the subcontractor. The subcontractor’s cost proposal can be provided in a sealed envelope with the Offeror’s cost proposal or will be requested from the subcontractor at a later date.” Therefore, both submitting the cost disclosure directly to the Business Point of Contact’s attention and submitting the cost disclosure after contract award determination is acceptable.